



STATE OF OREGON

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Hazardous Wastes

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SUBJECT: HW - 3012 Superfund - Chapman Chemical Co. - Multnomah County
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Chapman Chemical Co. at 10505 North Macrum, Portland, Oregon, is one of the 44 HW 3012 sites. I inspected the facility November 9, 1984, and interviewed Lou Haefle, the new manager (286-9639).

Chapman Chemical formulates a number of wood preservation products. Pentachlorophenol is one of the ingredients. All discharges, and incidental spills are directed to a 20,000 gal. tank. As needed the tank is sampled; and if results are acceptable, the city of Portland unlocks a pump and the contents are discharged to the POTW.

The city will not accept the discharge if there is oil on the surface. Sorbent pads are used to collect the oil at the tank and throughout the small tank farm area. I asked an employee that had been there for a long time what happens to the pads. He stated that they are placed in drums along with kettle cleanings, and other cleanup items. He stated that within the last few months 60 drums that had accumulated over the last 18 months were shipped to the parent company in Memphis, Tennessee. Reportedly, the parent company presses out the penta, etc. and reuses or recycles the solution for treatment of railroad ties.

It appears that Chapman Chemical Co. needs to comply with OAR 340-101-006. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to contact me at Northwest Region.

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